

10 Ways to Participate in your Child's Education

- 1. Request report cards and other documents, which are available in English and Spanish, at Cole Elementary.
- 2. Show interest in the activities and lessons they are learning in school, help with homework and get to know their teachers.
- 3. Let your children see you reading daily newspapers, books, etc. Read 20 minutes every day.
- 4. If necessary, ask the school to provide an interpreter for meetings and ask if they offer classes in English as a second language.
- 5. Take your children to museums, to the local library and all educational and cultural events.
- 6. Tell your children that it's okay to make mistakes, as long as they learn from them.
- 7. Strengthen self-esteem for your children. Encourage them and praise them for things they do well.
- 8. Encourage children to talk about their feelings, their achievements and their problems.
- 9. Be a role model your children want to imitate. Teach them at an early age the difference between what is right and wrong.
- 10. Join the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) or volunteer in your child's classroom or school.